GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES
LOK SABHA

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INVESTMENT BY NRIS IN PSUS
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Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have decided to formulate a sheme for alluring Non-Resident Indians to invest in public sector undertakings; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES (DR. VALLABHBHAI KATHIRIA)

(a & b): The general policy and facility for Foreign Direct Investment as available to foreign investors/companies are fully applicable to Non-Resident Indians(NRIs) as well.In addition, government have extended concessions specially to NRIs and Overseas Corporate Bodies(OCBs) having more than 60% stake by NRIs. These, among others, include
(i) NRI/OCB investment permitted in the real estate and housing sectors and domestic airlines sector upto 100%
(ii) NRIs and OCBs are permitted to invest upto 40% in the banking sector, and
(iii) individual NRIs can invest beyond 24% in Small Scale Industries in the first instance provided they do not have a stake in any other industrial undertaking.